GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
LABOUR
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SAFETY OF LABOURERS IN MINES
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Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have made any amendments in the Labour Laws to provide safety to the lives of labourers working in mines;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the number of labourers fallen victims in mine accidents during 1998-99 and 2000 in each State?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI MUNI LALL)

(a) to (c): The Mines Act, 1952 and the rules and regulations framed thereunder provides for the safety of the workers working in the Mines. Review of these legislations is a continuous process and amendment in the laws are made from time to time depending upon the result of such review keeping in view the changes in technology and the safety of workers working in mines.

(d): The number of labourers who have died in mine accidents during 1998,99 and 2000 Statewise is as under:

State	No. killed in mine accidents		
	1998	1999	2000+
Andhra Pradesh	41	31	42
Assam	7	2	1
Bihar	46	46	47
Goa	4	2	
Gujarat	4	1	
Himachal Pradesh			
Haryana	2	8	
Jammu and Kashmir	1		
Karnataka	6	9	4
Kerala			
Meghalaya			
Madhya Pradesh	24	39	35
Maharashtra	14	9	19
Orissa	21	14	9
Rajasthan	15	20	17
Tamil Nadu	4	5	5
Tripura	1	1	
Uttar Pradesh	1	1	5
West Bengal	22	24	18
All India	211	210	206

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